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The Dutch send 5-time champ Brazil home?

















Photos depict the ecstatic Orange Fans in Aruba celebrating the biggest upset of the World Cup 2010. The Dutch victory is now a part of World Cup history; up until Friday, Brazil went undefeated in a total of 42 World Cup matches held outside of Europe. The last time Brazil lost a non-European World Cup match was all the way back in 1950, when Uruguay stunned Brazil at the Maracanã stadium with a — you guessed it — 2-1 come-from-behind win, giving the Uruguayans their second World Cup title.



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Obama eulogizes veteran

Supertanker skims oil as spill now worst accident on record

NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana (AFP) – A Taiwanese supertanker began preliminary efforts to skim oil in the Gulf of Mexico yesterday as the disaster became the worst accidental spill on record.

Rough seas and strong winds continued to delay clean-up efforts, displace protective booms and push the oil deeper into fragile coastal wetlands, endangering wildlife preserves and the thousands of birds nesting

"This is going to be a very long and arduous clean-up operation in the days to come," said Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft.

"I'm especially concerned with some of the wildlife

An estimated 35,000 to 60,000 barrels of oil per day has been gushing out of the ruptured well since the BPleased Deepwater Horizon drilling rig sank on April 22, some 50 miles (80 kilometers) off the coast of Louisiana.

A containment system has captured about 557,000 barrels of oil, but rough seas have delayed the deployment of a third vessel which is set to increase capacity from 25,000 barrels to 53,000 barrels a day.

That means an estimated 1.9 to 3.6 million barrels -- or 79.5 to 153 million gallons -of oil has now gushed into the Gulf.

Using the high end of that estimate, the spill has now surpassed the 1979 Ixtoc blowout which took nine months to cap and dumped an estimated 3.3 million barrels (140,000 million gallons) into in the Gulf of Mexico.

In fact the spill is now the largest accidental oil leak ever, surpassed in size only by the deliberate release of crude by Iraqi troops during the 1991 Gulf War.

a memorial service for Byrd, who died on Monday aged 92, after 57 years as a lawmaker. The president made a veiled reference to the moment when

CHARLESTON, West Vir-

ginia (AFP) - President

Barack Obama yesterday eulo-

gized Robert Byrd, the longest

serving lawmaker in American

history, as a Senate "icon" and

Biden, former president Bill

Clinton, and a parade of poli-

tical leaders joined mourners at

Obama, Vice President Joe

quintessential American.

he first met Byrd, and the venerable senator mentioned his regrets for having been a member of the white supremacist Ku Klux Klan in his youth, before he embraced civil rights.

"Like the Constitution he tucked in his pocket, like our nation itself, Robert Byrd possessed that quintessential American quality, and that is a capacity to change, a capacity to learn, a capacity to listen, a capacity to be made more perfect," Obama said.

"Years from now, when I think of the man we memorialize today, I'll remember him as he was when I came to know him," Obama said.



Robert Byrd

"His white hair full, like a mane; his gait steadied with a cane; determined to make the most of every last breath."

Byrd, a colorful gentleman from a bygone age, punctuated stem-winding speeches with memorized quotes from the US Constitution, the Bible, Shakespeare and ancient history and wrote a history of his beloved Senate.

Few senators have wielded power as effectively as Byrd. Colleagues feared and revered his expertise on procedures of the Senate, to which he was elected in 1958, and his ability to funnel state money to his home state was legendary.

Warren Buffett donates \$1.93 billion to charities

NEW YORK CITY - Warren Buffett has donated another \$1.93 billion to five charitable foundations, the thirdhighest amount since the investor began donating 99 percent of his wealth in 2006.

Buffett donated on Thursday 24.54 million Class B shares of his insurance and investment company Berkshire Hathaway Inc, according to a filing yesterday with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

The donation grew from \$1.51 billion in 2009 because the Class B shares had risen 35 percent in price in the year ended on Thursday, when they closed at \$78.81

About \$1.6 billion of Berkshire shares this year went to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, created by the co-founder of Microsoft Corp and his wife to address education, health and poverty problems.

Other shares went to the

Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation, named for Buffett's late wife, and foundations for their children Howard, Peter and Susan. Buffett remarried in 2006.

Chavez steps up threats against TV channel

CARACAS, Venezuela - President Hugo Chavez stepped up his threats against Venezuela's sole opposition-aligned television channel yesterday, saying its exiled owners are trying to destabilize his government and he won't tolerate

Chavez called Globovimajority Guillermo Zuloaga and minority shareholder Nelson Mezerhane fugitive criminals and said he will wait for a while to see if they return to face accusations against them.

If they don't, Chavez said, "we'll have to think to see what's going to happen to that channel."

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MAMBO with a tremendous Bazaar in the Main Street of Oranjestad today



MAMBO announces that today, July 3, there will be a tremendous Bazaar in the main street of Oranjestad. There will be a sidewalk sale where stores will offer their products at very attractive prizes. From Benetton (at the beginning of the main street) till Djiespies Place, businesses will put up

tents on the side walk offering everyone a wide array of articles.

Traffic in the main street will not be closed for motorist as the secondary streets are already closed for construction and renovation. MAMBO kindly ask everyone who come for their shopping to keep this in mind.

MAMBO also wants to thank the whole community for supporting the main street businesses.

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Go Fast Energy Drink presents the Youth BMX championship 2010

With more than 100 participants of Aruba, Curacao and Venezuela

This weekend, there will be a tremendous international competition, organized by Aruba Wieler Bond (Aruba's Cycling Federation), section BMX and Street Wise BMX and sponsored by Go Fast Energy Drink.

International teams from Curacao and Venezuela will compete with their best riders against Aruba. No less than 100 enthusiastic youngsters will compete in the different

categories

The event starts today, July 5, at the Street Wise MX Track at Weg Seroe Preto from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., and continues tomorrow, July 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. After that there will be a small awards ceremony.

The competition is an initiative of the organizers, since this type of sport has become very popular in the last years among youngsters,

and it motivates them to do

Go Fast Energy Drink and organizers invite all youngsters and the public in general to come and cheer for their favorite team and/or participant.

For more information readers may contact Street Wise BMX Track at tel. 592-5304/592-4629 or send an email at bmxaruba@setarnet. aw.







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Family day tomorrow at Santa Rosa

PIEDRA PLAT-- Tomorrow, to celebrate its renovation and reopening, Santa Rosa will have a family day where everyone can have a nice time and at the same time get information on different products.

Santa Rosa resorts under the Department of Agriculture, Husbandry and Fisheries and is situated at Piedra Plat 114-A.

It is the intention of Minister of Labor, Transport and Tourism Otmar Oduber to organize every week a market at Santa Rosa where local fishermen, farmers and animal breeders can sell their products to the local community at very attractive prices.

According to organizer Leen Statia, tomorrow there will be different stands offering local food, coconut water, wine made on Aruba, Calabash syrup, Aloe syrup and a wide variety of sweets.

For the kids, in the 'Cunuco di Chabelita 'there will be animals to view, and popcorn, cotton candy and raspao to delight them. Organizers are trying to get fresh fish to sell to the visitors.

Attendees interested in asking questions can do so; most of the experts will be at hand at every section to give information on different issues concerning agriculture, husbandry and fisheries.

Also tomorrow there will be different fruit trees, local trees and herbal trees for sale, as well as seeds, insecticides, fertilizer and other products that Santa Rosa usually sells.

The event starts at 9:00 a.m and will continue until 3 p.m.

Everyone is invited to come and have a pleasant day tomorrow at Santa Rosa.



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BALASHI – Aruba's national water and energy plant, WEB Aruba N.V., together with its employees and contractors made a substantial donation to 'Koningin Wilhelmina Kankerfonds' - Queen Wilhelmina cancer foundation. The donation – the third one − is part of the WEB's 'Social Corporate Responsibility program," which stresses to give support to those with difficulties and to social organizations in our commu-

The donation was an initiative of retiree, Mr. Serva-

cio "Fachi' Geerman, who approached once again approached WEB to help the foundation, which help cancer patients in our community. WEB N.V. employee, Mr. Glenn Rock, volunteered to collect the donations among employees and contractor workers, and with the support of WEB N.V. management he managed to collect the neat sum of Afl.

On July 1, 2010, a group representing these generous citizens, handed a check to the Koningin Wilhelmina

Kankerfonds members, in front of WEB N.V.'s main office at Balashi. WEB Aruba N.V. is confident that this donation helps the foundation to give the necessary help to cancer patients in our community.

The Koninging Wilhelima Kankerfonds expresses its heartfelt gratitude to all employees, management and contractors of WEB Aruba N.V., especially Mr. Glenn Rock and Mr. Fachi Geerman for this beautiful gesture.

WEB with a "Social Corporate Responsibility"

Twilight Eclipse premiere brings fun and thrills to The Cinemas at Paseo



The Paseo team, Sharmaine Tromp, Dan Oduber, Valerie Camacho Pietersz



One lesson learned from the Aruba International Film Festival was that a fancy red carpet premiere makes going to the movies very special; for the long-awaited debut of Twilight: Eclipse, the third movie in this blockbuster franchise, Paseo Herencia management and The Cinemas felt the glamour treatment was a must.

Surely, if any of the stars of the film were present, it would have been pandemonium among the packed theater of primarily teenage fans, but everyone behaved decorously while munching on great snacks provided by TGI Friday's, one of the principal sponsors of the event. The only monsters present were ice cold cans of the popular Monster Energy Drink (get it? Ha-ha!) from co-sponsors, Consales, which were distributed to ticket holders.

It was all in good fun for the third installment of the film franchise which has captured the hearts of many a teenage girl, and their mothers. Actually, one mature gentleman exiting the theater commented he liked Eclipse best of all three movies in the series.

The Stephanie Mayer books were quite a phenomenon among many novels dedicated to the Vampire/romance genre; others, which actually preceded the bestsellers, have be-

come successful television series such as Vampire Diaries and TrueBlood, with a dedicated following.

If you like the genre and you are a Twilight fan, you will love the movie, which of all the books has the most action, and director David Slade, new to the series, handles the fight scenes very well. Few film critics like the franchise, but no one is expecting art here, just a worthwhile adaptation of the popular books, and in this, the films succeed. They often complain of Bella's wishy-washy character, and admittedly, she is no Sookie Stackhouse, (watch an episode of TrueBlood and you will understand.) Even stalwart fans may be finding Rob Pattinson's eternally tortured Edward getting a little old, and the opening night audience was most definitely dominated by "Team Jacob," who sent out a ripple of worship every time Taylor Lautner appeared on the screen. One's thoughts tend to echo Edward's wry comment, "Doesn't he ever wear a shirt?" – The fans loved it.

They also loved the star treatment afforded by Paseo Herencia and The Cinemas, it most definitely added to the excitement and enjoyment of attending the film. Can't wait to see what they do for "Breaking Dawn"!

by Rosalie Klein



Plus Accountants opens their doors in South Beach Center



From left to right, Marcelino Quant, Xiomara Arends and Anthony Croes

An accounting firm in tune to the needs of the small, independent entrepreneur, Plus Accountants, opened their offices on the second floor of the South Beach Center in Palm Beach on Thursday evening, July 1.



Xiomara Arends and second in command Eric Kelly and staff

"Powered by Deloitte," this independent branch of the internationally known financial services firm was established to assist the many new businesses opening in the area, with service and convenience the key.

Boasting accessibility 24/7 to its clients, Plus Accountants promises a complete service package, individually tailored for controlling cash flow, tax returns,

financial planning and pension provision, at a fixed price. The firm also offers payment plans customized to fit the individual budget.

Deloitte partners
Marcelino Quant and Anthony Croes joined Plus Account Manager Xiomara
Arends and staff for the opening day celebration, as did many of their clients.

"Clarity is the key," states Plus Accountants. "This is why we always agree to a fixed price and do not charge for extra work." They know that a candid relationship and being able to stick to a realistic financial plan without unexpected expenses is essential for success, particularly for the small business owner.

More information about he new Plus Accountants firm can be found on their website, www.plusaccountants.com.

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Will you live to 100? Scientists say it's in your genes

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Explorers the world over have long sought the fountain of youth, but now researchers claim they have hit upon something tangible: genetic sequences that can predict whether you'll live to the ripe age of 100.

A team of scientists from Boston University studied over 1,000 centenarians to develop a system of genetic analysis by which they can predict -- with a 77-percent accuracy rate -- whether someone has a strong chance of "exceptional longevity," according to findings published in the journal Science.

The predictions can by boiled down to the presence of 150 genetic variants, called single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), which doctors and researchers found to be common among the elderly who live substantially longer than the average population.

"We have noticed in the study that there is a very strong familial component to exceptional longevity and that in conjunction with some other work has always made us believe that genetic is playing a very important role" in longevity, said Thomas Perls, a biostatistics

professor at Boston University School of Public Health and co-leader of the study.

"Centenarians are indeed a model of aging well. We have noticed in previous work than centenarians are disability free at the average age of 93 so they very much compressed their disabilities toward the very end of their life."

Using computer modeling, the team tracked the presence of the multiple genetic variants in the study subjects and members of control groups to identify the most predictive

The researchers also identified 19 different clusters, or "genetic signatures" of exceptional longevity, found in 90 percent of the subjects, with the different signatures correlating with differences in the prevalence and the ageof-onset of diseases such as

They noted that of the oldest subjects in the study -those age 110 or older -- 45 percent of them had the genetic signature "with the proportion longevity-associated genetic variants."

Pinpointing such variants, the authors said, "may help identify key subgroups of healthy aging.'



Paseo Herencia celebrates 200th years of Venezuelan independence

Walking distance from the High Rise hotels



Paseo Herencia Shopping & Entertainment Center is celebrating the 200th anniversary of Venezuela Independence. It has been 200 years since Venezuela has gained independence from Spain and Paseo Herencia is commemorating this day with a cultural and folkloric evening with the traditional sounds of the folkloric group "Venezuela es lo Mejor"

This all-star group of Venezuelan masters applies a rainbow of sounds - cuatro

(four stringed guitar unique to the region), harp, maracas, bass, and singer unveilinga panorama of a rediscovered, powerful musical tradition on the ascendance. The event starts at 8 p.m.

So tonight, everyone is invited to come and experience a different culture on Aruba were we have many different nationalities living together as

Paseo Herencia Shopping & Entertainment Center is situated across the Holiday Inn Hotel and is in walking distance from the high rise hotels. Stores are open Mondays to Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 .pm and on Sundays from 5:00 p.m to 10:00 pm. Restaurants serve breakfast, lunch and dinner.



Nine tips for a healthy BBQ

Summer is here at last! And what summer would be complete without a delicious meal on the BBQ? Yet, you've probably been hearing about the link between grilled food and cancer.

Here are nine ways to minimize your risk and make your next summer BBQ healthier:

- 1. Keep a watchful eye to prevent BBQ flare-ups and the resulting charring of your food.
- 2. Use lower to medium cooking temperatures. When foods like meat are heated over high temperatures or come in contact with flames, certain compounds can form.

These compounds are called: Heterocyclic Amines (HCA) and Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH). Both compounds are known carcinogens. But, you don't need to remember their names to lessen your risk of exposure to them.

3. Marinate meat in olive oil and fresh lemon juice-based marinades. Research shows that these two items



can reduce the formation of the cancer-causing compounds by up to 99 percent while cooking. Not to mention that they tenderize the meat, add great flavor, and help keep it moist during cooking.

4. Choose foods that are low in fat like vegetables, lean cuts of meat, poultry or fish. Heterocyclic amines and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are primarily formed

when fats are heated to high temperatures or fall into the flames and create smoke.

By choosing lean cuts of meat and vegetables which are naturally low in fat, you reduce the chance of these compounds forming at all.

- 5. Trim excess fat from meat prior to cooking it (for the same reason as number 3).
- **6.** Choose specific herbs for your marinades. These

herbs include: basil, mint, rosemary, thyme, oregano, and sage. Scientists at the Food Safety Consortium project at Kansas State University have discovered that these herbs drastically reduce the formation of heterocyclic amines.

Simply use one or more of these herbs, preferably fresh, in a marinade prior to and during cooking. Plus, they add tremendous flavor.

- 7. Avoid overcooking vegetables. The longer they cook the more certain vitamins like vitamin C and B-complex vitamins break down. So don't overcook them.
- **8.** Add more vegetables to the grill. One of the easiest ways to make your BBQ healthier is to add more veggies. Making kebabs is a great way to do this. By alternating lean meat and vegetables, the veggies will keep the meat moist and add fiber, flavor, and nutrients.
- 9. Clean your grill prior to every use. Not only is it more appetizing to eat food that's been cooked on a clean grill, but you'll be lessening the amount of char that you'll be eating. The charred parts of food can cause free radical formation in your body and since free radicals are linked with premature aging, disease, and tissue damage, it's best to reduce your exposure as much as possible.

If you're trying to eat healthy, you really can have your grilled food and enjoy it too.

Discover the Treasures Across the Bridge

Balashi
Pos Chiquito
Savaneta
Cura Cabai
San Nicolas



Entrance to the inner Bay of Spaan Lagoen



One of San Nicolas' main attractions, Charlie's Bar in the mainstreet

Crossing the Balashi Bridge to San Nicolas, you will find the Spaans Lagoen (Spanish Lagoon).

The Spaans Lagoen is the only inner bay in Aruba, resulting from rising sea levels after the last ice age. Spaans Lagoen is connected with the sea, but it is partially separated by a low-lying bridge. Located off the mouth of the lagoon there are several island keys, which together with the Spaans Lagoen area form a large natural ecological system.

Spaans Lagoen is a reefprotected area. The beach is accessed through the mangove trees in Mangel Halto, on the east side of the island. It boasts shallow waters and fine white sand. It's also an excellent spot to have a picnic lunch.

It is one of three Blue Flag beaches developing on the island. There is a gentle sandy entry to the water that is great for children and adults. Beginning scuba divers will love it and the snorkeling is excellent. It is also a wonderful area for kayaking. The Spaans Lagoen area flows into the village of **Pos Chiquito**.

Savaneta is a fishing village in southeastern Aruba. Home to the oldest surviving home in Aruba, it is the oldest town on that island and former capital. It was where the Dutch first settled after they recap-

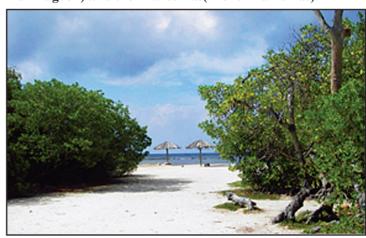
tured it in 1816. It is said that Savaneta name became during the Spanish colonization in 1840. Savaneta means Sabana chikito (small savannah).

Heading east to San Nicolas you will encounter **Cura Cabai** located along the west coast of the island.

Driving further you will find Aruba's second largest city, **San Nicolas**, with the majority of residents originally hailing from the British Caribbean. The development of the city is undeniably linked to the oil refinery, the presence of which often stands in sharp contrast to the modest houses of the area and the picturesque beach spots



The ruins of the gold smelter next to the Spaans Lagoen (Spanish Lagoon) and the Franse Pas(Frenchman's Pas)



Mangel Halto in Savaneta



House on the reef (Savaneta)



Acqua Condominiums Aruba reports accelerated construction pace





Acqua Condominiums Aruba reports that the first wing of the East Tower has reached the highest point of construction. Developers have just poured the 14th floor concrete beams, and are gearing up for the launch of the second wing construction.

Mid-year, Acqua Condominiums Aruba will be pouring the foundation for the South Tower, and begin work on community amenities such as the lagoon-style pool and tropical garden, the club house, business center, spa, restaurant and grand lobby, followed by the debut of the North Tower and the completion of the entire ambitious project by 2012.

Built on 30.278 m2 of property land this exciting condominium project continues to attract buyers and investors, lured by the upscale elegance of the complex Mansions, Penthouses, Suites, Studios and Residences.

General Manager Jenner Florez and Managing Director

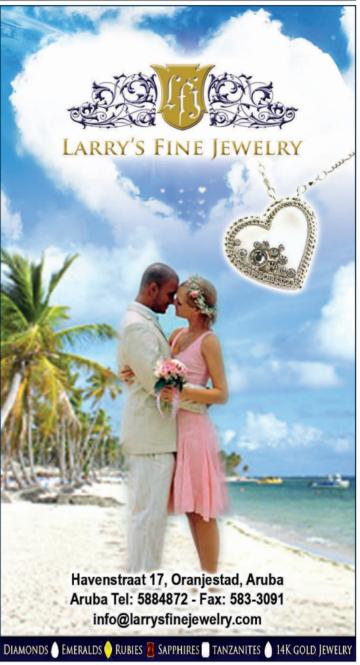




Oscar Helmeyer report that the development company is planning on doubling its workmen capacity within the next few weeks. Construction specialists recently laid off by the oil refinery will find new employment at Acqua Condominiums as plumbers, electricians and carpenters join the force in order to work on building the interiors.

"Work on the site has been in full swing since January 11th, when construction workers returned from their well-deserved Christmas vacation," explains Helmeyer. "And we are at the moment in negotiations with the department of labor to extend the number of work hours to 18 a day, maintaining two full-shifts of laborers, and resulting in accelerated construction pace."

Acqua Condominiums Aruba began construction one year ago, and has been met with great enthusiasm from the get go. A stylish and contemporary sales center on Palm Beach, on the construction site includes a number of model apartments with Kohler bathrooms and faucets, European style kitchens with granite tops, brand-name appliances, porcelain tiles, floor to ceiling UV-filtered hurricane proof windows and doors, all tastefully furnished and finished, and available for viewing.



Germany's new first lady lends glamour to top job

BERLIN, Germany's new first lady Bettina Wulff has been turning heads with her towering height, striking looks, glamorous outfits -- and a large tattoo on her right shoulder.

The 36-yearold communications manager, who met her husband on a business trip, became an instant media darling in Germany even before Christian Wulff, 51,

was sworn into office today as Germany's youngest postwar president.

Bettina Wulff, a single mother before Wulff abandoned his wife of 18 years for her, has been compared in German media with Carla Bruni and Michelle Obama: young, dynamic and independent.

All three first ladies have been called the epitome of modern women in their respec-



Newly sworn-in German President Christian Wulff and his wife Bettina wave to the public on the steps of the presidential residence.

tive countries. All have won praise for their fashion awareness and trendsetting styles, and symbolize a new generation.

There were as many pictures of Bettina Wulff in a tight black dress -- discreetly covering her shoulder tattoo -- in German newspapers after his election Wednesday than there were of Christian, Germany's 10th post-war president.

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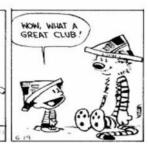


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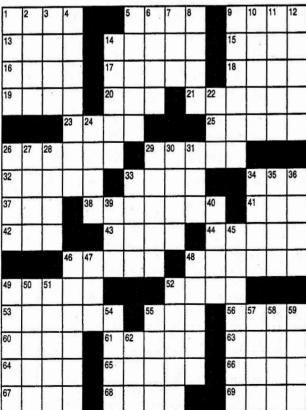
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Falling unemployment fails to quell US recovery fears

WASHINGTON (AFP) – The US unemployment rate fell to 9.5 percent in June as more than half a million Americans quit the job hunt, adding to pessimism about the health of the economic recovery.

The unemployment rate fell from 9.7 percent to its lowest level in a year, while the number of jobs actually shrank for the first time since December, the Labor Department said yesterday.

Some 125,000 posts were lost last month, adding to worries that the economic path ahead will be bumpy.

But the falling unemployment rate offered a little succor to President Barack Obama, who is running out of time to put the economy back on track before congressional elections in November.

"Make no mistake, we are headed in the right direction but... we are not headed there fast enough for a lot of Americans. We are not headed there fast enough for me either," Obama said.

The White House has re-

peatedly warned that unemployment will remain high for the rest of the year, while polls show it is a crucial issue with voters

Most analysts had expected the ranks of jobless Americans to swell beyond 15 million in June, pushing the unemployment rate up to 9.8 percent.

In the end the number of unemployed fell to 14.6 million in June as 652,000 Americans left the job market and more than 20,000 took up temporary posts.

"The unemployment rate dropped because the labor force shrank even more rapidly as discouraged workers stopped looking for work," said analysts at Societe Generale.

The drop proved to be a Rorschach test for Wall Street, with some seeing the report as evidence of a slow recovery and others as an ominous sign of problems ahead.

In recent weeks markets have been convulsed by worry about a double-dip recession.

The last quarter has been tortuous for the top 30 US

companies, with the Dow Jones Industrial Average losing more than 10 percent of its value, in large part over fears about the fate of the US economy.

The biggest cause for concern had been the continued weakness of the private sector, which created a modest 83,000 jobs in June, although that figure was well up from May's revised total of 33,000.

Faced with an uncertain outlook and poor access to credit, US firms have been reluctant to rehire workers.

But not everyone was gloomy.

"Despite the slightly larger drop in payroll numbers, there were some positive signs in this report," said Jason Schenker of Prestige Economics.

"A recovery is clearly underway, although it will be a slow one for the job market," said Schenker.

The June figures showed the evaporation of hiring for the 2010 Census, which had accounted for around 95 percent of new jobs in May.

Automakers see no sign of expected recovery

DETROIT, Michigan – U.S. auto sales slipped in June from the previous month and major automakers said there was no sign of the second-half recovery the battered industry had expected at the start of the year.

Monthly U.S. sales results for the Detroit automakers

were up by double-digit percentages from June 2009, a month when Chrysler emerged from bankruptcy and General Motors Co filed for protection from its creditors.

But overall sales were down from May, raising questions about whether the industry and investors overestimated the strength of what is shaping up as a very limited recovery from the depressed 2009 levels.

"June came in fairly anemic," said Al Castignetti, who heads Nissan brand sales in the United States. "I think

a lot of people are looking at housing and other indicators and just delaying big-ticket purchases."

Some analysts had expected 2010 U.S. auto sales to rebound as high as 12.5 million vehicles, up from the 10.6 million sales recorded in 2009. But the high end of that full-year sales forecast now appears out of reach, executives said.

The lower-than-expected U.S. sales come as weaker sales in France and the prospect of higher taxes in markets like Spain deepened concern about a double-dip.

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Dollar may fall; euro eyes \$1.27

NEW YORK CITY - The U.S. dollar may fall next week as recent weaker-than-expected economic data reinforces the view U.S. interest rates will stay near zero for some time, undermining the currency's yield appeal.

The euro, which rallied sharply this week, may extend gains above \$1.27 in the near term, analysts said, as pessimism over European debt and funding problems eased with a break of key technical levels adding to bullish momentum.

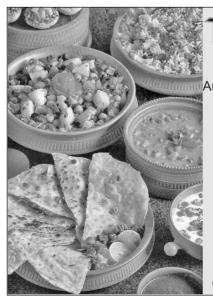
After rising on risk aversion as a result of Europe's debt troubles in recent months, the dollar fell this week in tandem with losses in U.S. stocks, sparking speculation investors' focus may be shifting from the

euro zone crisis to the possibility of a stalled recovery in the

"We are going to see further modest pullbacks in the U.S. dollar, but the euro is going to set the tone," said Ashraf Laidi, chief market strategist at CMC Markets in London.

"We may not be far from reaching a stage of concerted dollar decline because of the potential for the Federal Reserve prolonging low interest rates for a longer period of time."

Testerday, the dollar fell against the euro after a report showed a larger-than-expected drop in U.S. non-farm payrolls to 125,000 for June, even as the unemployment rate unexpectedly fell to 9.5 percent. F



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International Soccer action comes to Aruba in October



Copa Aruba organizers with Minister Visser and Cia travel president Rogerio Donato



The Cup



Aruba's Minister of Public Health and Sport, Richard Visser, recently joined with organizers of the Copa Aruba to announce the upcoming Copa Aruba, an international soccer competition in the Master and Super Master Divisions.

The tournament will open on October 30, and matches will be conducted at the Guillermo Trinidad Stadium in Dakota. Collaborating on this project is Rogerio Donato of CIA Travel, Brazil, and Aruba's Voetball Bond, represented by President Rufo Kelly and Ron Helder.



Minister Visser and Mr. Donato

The tournament will feature twenty teams of veteran soccer stars in age categories of 40, 50 and 60 years from Brazil, Aruba, Curacao and Bonaire, competing from October 30 through November 4 for the coveted Copa Aruba 2010. Mr. Rogerio reported he expects to bring 600 Brazilian soccer fanatics to Aruba to attend the games; they have had enormous success with such events in other locations. Those traveling to Aruba are offered a very appealing one-week travel package, including entrance to the games.

The matches will also be interspersed with soccer clinics for island youth and football clubs by the visiting Brazilian players and coaches. Aruba's Minister of Sport, and Minister of Tourism, Transport and Labor, Otmar Oduber, applaud this initiative for Aruban athletes both young and mature; they encourage islanders to attend and cheer on their home teams.

Besides playing football fans will also have the opportumit to meet ex-star player of Brazil's sellection Bebeto who was named the Godfather of the Copa Aruba 2010 Tournament.

Bebeto will also be giving a football clinic to Aruban kids and also different Aruban football clubs. This event will be covered by the Brazilian press.



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Australian scientists develop the perfect prawn



SYDNEY, Australia - Scientists have come up with a way to satisfy Australians' demand for prawns which have become the nation's main Christmas fare -- a genetically bred strain of larger, black tiger prawns that taste great.

After 10 years of careful breeding and research, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) scientists have bred a larger tiger prawn which will reduce the need to import the popular seafood platter and barbecue food.

The new prawn, which has won five gold medals at Australian marine aquaculture shows in recent years, means an increase in prawn yield from an average of around 5 metric tons per hectare to 17.5 metric tons per hectare.

"One of the prawn ponds actually achieved 24.2 metric tons per hectare, which is a world record," Bruce Lee, director of the CSIRO's Food Future Flagship.

With around 50 percent of Australia's prawn market imported from overseas, particularly China and Vietnam, the genetically-modified prawn will deliver quality, sustainable seafood in large quantities, enabling Australia to reduce imports, said the CSIRO.

"You can now produce prawns, particularly at times of the year when you want them fresh. In Australia one would like to have fresh prawns is at Christmas time," said Lee.

The black tiger prawn is bred in drought-proof saltwater ponds in a closed loop system.

"The advantages are you can now do this sustainably, that is you don't have to trawl nets across the ocean floor to take prawns from the ocean," said Lee.

In keeping with sustainability, the prawns are fed a biproduct of flour grain converted to fish food.

"We've developed a system where we can take waste carbon and convert it into a fishmeal replacement," he said.

CSIRO said that if, hypothetically, the entire Australian tiger prawn industry adopted the new breeding program, it would increase production to 12,500 metric tons from 5,000 metric tons a year, adding A\$120 million to the value of the industry by 2020.

Study: Tibetans adapted to altitude in under 3,000 years

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Tibetans took less than 3,000 years to adapt to living at high altitude, said a new study that could lead to insights on diseases linked to pre-birth oxygen deprivation such as epilepsy.

"This is the fastest genetic change ever observed in humans," said Rasmus Nielsen, a University of California Berkeley biology professor who led the statistical analysis and genome-wide comparison between the Tibetans and the Han Chinese.

According to the study, published in the July 2 issue of Science magazine, the Tibetans and the Han Chinese split into two separate populations some 2,750 years ago, with the larger group moving to the Tibetan plateau where it dwindled while the low-elevation Han expanded dramati-

The Tibetans, however, quickly evolved a unique ability to live above 4,000 meters (13,000 feet), where oxygen levels are 40 percent lower than those at sea level.

'For such a very strong change, a lot of people would have had to die simply due to the fact that they had the wrong version of a gene," said Nielsen.

Comparing the genes of both ethnic groups, researchers found more than 30 genes with DNA mutations that have become more prevalent in Tibetans than Han Chinese, nearly half of which are related to how the body uses oxygen.

One mutation in particular spread from fewer than 10 percent of the Han Chinese to nearly 90 percent of all Tibetans. It is near a gene called EPAS1, a so-called "super athlete gene" identified several years ago that is associated with improved athletic performance, Nielsen said.

The gene codes for a protein involved in sensing oxy-



Tibetan nomads watching their horses outside their tent on the shores of Nam-tso Lake at over 4,700 metres above sealevel on the high plateau of Northern U province, Tibet.



gen levels and perhaps balancing aerobic and anaerobic metabolism.

The new findings could steer scientists to still unknown genes that play a role in how the body deals with decreased oxygen, and perhaps explain some diseases, including schizophrenia and epilepsy, associated with oxygen deprivation in the womb, Nielsen said.

'The new finding is really the first time evolutionary information alone has helped us pinpoint an important function of a gene in humans," he added.

Adaptation to low oxygen levels has allowed many peoples, from Andeans to Tibetans, to live at high altitude.

When people from lower

elevations move above 4,000 meters they typically tire easily, develop headaches, produce babies with lower birth weights and have a higher infant mortality rate.

Tibetans have none of these problems, despite lower oxygen saturation in the blood and lower levels of hemoglobin levels, which gives blood its red color, and binds and transports oxygen to the body's tissues.

The study used genome data and a large team of researchers from the Beijing Genomics Institute in Shenzhen, China's flagship genome cen-

The research was funded by various Chinese, American and Danish organizations.

Mel Gibson uses racial slur, says report

LOS ANGELES, Califormia – Oscar-winning director and actor Mel Gibson, who caused a media storm four years ago over an anti-Semitic statement. is again making headlines for using an apparent racial slur in an argument with his ex-girl-

Celebrity news website Radaronline.com on Thursday published excerpts of an audiotape of Gibson telling Oksana Grigorieva, whom "The Passion of the Christ" director is

battling in court, that they way she is dressed made her look like a "pig in heat."

"If you get raped by a pack n***ers, it will be your fault," Radaronline reported Gibson as shouting at Grigorieva during an argument she taped, apparently using an expression that is deeply insulting to African Americans.

Radaronline, which published the excerpt with the three asterisks, claims to have listened to the tape. A representative for the website was not immediately available for further comment.

A spokesman for Gibson declined to comment due to pending litigation between the actor and his ex-girlfriend, and Gibson's lawyer also was unavailable for comment.

Gibson, 54, and the Russian-born singer were reported in April to have split up, five months after the birth of their daughter Lucia.

Classy Nadal ends Murray dream in Wimbledon semis



Rafael Nadal of Spain celebrates match point during the Men's Semi Final match against Andy Murray of Great Britain

LONDON (AFP) – Spanish world number one Rafael Nadal made it back to the Wimbledon final by beating British home favourite Andy Murray 6-4, 7-6 (8/6), 6-4 in Friday's semi-final.

The match was punctuated by some thrilling rallies, impressive lobs and duels at the net, and while Murray gave Nadal a tough test, the Mallorcan was in imperious form and won all the crucial points.

Fourth seed Murray was roared on by a home crowd on Centre Court, but Nadal overcame them both in two hours and 22 minutes.

The French Open champion faces Czech 12th seed Tomas Berdych in Sunday's final.

Nadal, who is chasing his eighth Grand Slam final, remains on course for his second French Open-Wimbledon double.

The Spaniard is undefeated here since the 2007 final

He beat Roger Federer in the 2008 final but could not defend his title last year due to a knee injury.

The problems - which still trouble him - flared up again when he was twice forced to come back from two sets to one down earlier in the tournament, but he seemed unhindered as he downed Murray.

The defeat means Britain's agonising wait for a Wimbledon men's finalist goes on.



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NEWTOWN SQUARE, Pennsylvania (AFP) – Tiger Woods looked quite impressive for most of the second round at the AT&T National on Friday, but in the end only just made the halfway cut.

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Woods missed a tiny putt from barely two feet at his penultimate hole on his way to a respectable even-par 70 at Aronimink.

His three-over 143 halfway total was certain to qualify for the final two rounds, but he will end the day at least seven strokes from the lead.

"No matter how good I drive it, the putts aren't going



in," he lamented. "I've just got to putt better. I drove the ball on a string the last two days and haven't gotten anything out of it.

"If you don't make putts, no matter how good you hit the ball, you're not going to shoot good scores."

Woods talked about the difficultly of having all facets of the game firing at the same time, something every amateur player can relate to.

"Ît's always something," he said. "I hit it awesome, putt awful. I putt great, hit it awful."

This is only Woods' sixth event since he returned to competition at the Masters in April, after taking nearly five months off in the wake of revelations of marital infidelity.

The AT&T National is his only official start between last month's US Open and the British Open at St Andrews in a fortnight.

Jackson to return as Lakers coach next season

LOS ANGELES (AFP) – Phil Jackson will return as Lakers coach next season, putting off retirement for at least one more year to pursue a 12th NBA title.

"Count me in," Jackson said in a news release on Thursday. "After a couple weeks of deliberation, it is time to get back to the challenge of putting together a team that can defend its title in the 2010-11 season. It'll be the last stand for me, and I hope a grand one."

Jackson, 64, had said last week he was "leaning toward" retirement after guiding the Lakers to a second straight NBA crown.

But the chance of threepeat proved too alluring once he'd had a chance to get some rest at his off-season home in Montana.

Jackson is the winningest coach in playoff history and the most successful coach in league history by almost any measure.

He has a .705 regular-season winning percentage, a record 225 playoff victories

and two more titles than Boston's Red Auerbach.

He has guided Kobe Bryant and the Lakers to five titles overall, and won six with Michael Jordan's Chicago Bulls.

"We're extremely pleased

that Phil has decided to return," Lakers general manager Mitch Kupchak said. "He's not only the best coach for this team, but quite simply the best coach in the history of the NBA."





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Evra should never play for France Shell-shocked Dunga again: Thuram

PARIS (AFP) - Former France international Lilian Thuram on Friday said that current captain Patrice Evra should never be allowed to represent his country again due to his leading role in the World Cup player revolt.

"I asked for the players to be severely punished and for Patrice Evra never to come back into the France team," said Thuram during a meeting of the French Football Federation's (FFF) federal council of which he is a member.

"When you are captain of France, there is a responsibility and a respect for the shirt and for people that you have to have.

Thuram, who reported his comments to the media after the conclusion of the meeting, did not reveal how his recommendation was received.

Manchester United leftback Evra was reportedly a central figure in the France squad's decision to boycott a training session in protest at the exclusion of Nicolas Anelka after he clashed with coach Raymond Domenech.

The players remained on the team bus after arriving at a scheduled public training session and issued a statement explaining the reason for their protest that was read to the media by Domenech, whose contract as France coach has now expired.

"When the players shut themselves in the bus and it was the coach who read the statement, that showed that the coach was no longer respected," said Thuram.

"The players were incapable of realising certain things.'

France were eliminated at the group stage after drawing with Uruguay and losing to Mexico and South Africa.

Thuram was capped 142 times by France and played at right-back in the team that won the World Cup on home soil in 1998, scoring twice -his only international goals -- in the 2-1 semi-final defeat of Croatia.

"The problem came from a lack of authority (from Domenech), so that the players could remain players," continued Thuram.

"The power was taken by the players because the federation no longer had authority through the coach. Raymond Domenech was an employee of the federation. If he didn't do what the federation asked for, they should have reacted."

Thuram's remarks followed a meeting of the FFF's top brass in which Laurent Blanc, Thuram's former France team-mate, was officially appointed the new head coach of the national side.

Blanc, who led Bordeaux to the French league title in 2009, is scheduled to make his first media appearance in his new role next Tuesday.

feels the pain as reign ends



PORT ELIZABETH (AFP) -Dunga admitted he would have to take the rap for Brazil's World Cup heartbreak after his four-year reign as head coach ended with a quarter-final defeat at the hands of the Netherlands.

"We are all responsible for this situation but I have the

responsibility," greatest Dunga said after his ten-man side went down to a shock 2-1 defeat that ended any hope he may have harboured of

stay in the post. "We are all extremely saddened, we did not expect this," Brazil's 1994 World Cup-winning captain added.

winning an extension of his

"We knew it would be a delicate, difficult game. In the first half we played better than in the second but we were were not able to maintain the same rhythm.

"We could not maintain the same level of concentration. Any World Cup match is 90 minutes and it is the small details that count."

Dunga declined to criticise either Melo or goalkeeper Julio Cesar, who was at fault on the Dutch equaliser.

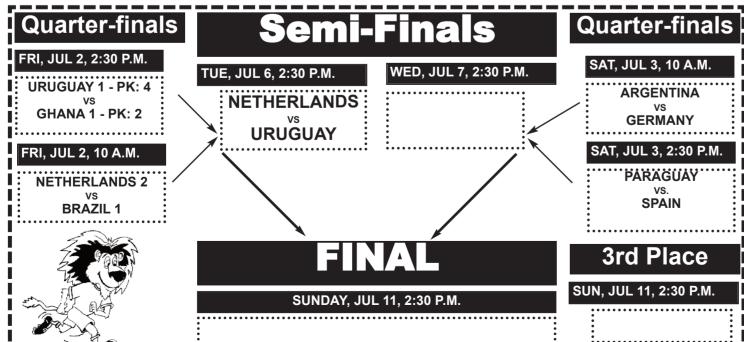
"Felipe Melo was sent off but it not the first time that has happened in a World Cup match," the coach said. "We are all responsible."

Dunga's contract with Brazil expires after this tournament and he appeared to hold out no hope of being offered a new deal that would enable him to lead the national team into the next World Cup, which Brazil will

"I was contracted for four ears and we knew that from the start," he said.

"During the last four years I have been very happy to coach this Brazilian team and if you look at the players faces you would understand how they feel.

"I am very proud of these players and the dignified way they represented the country.'







FIFA World CUP

Uruguay end brave Ghana's bid on penalties



Diego Forlan of Uruguay celebrates scoring his team's first goal

JOHANNESBURG (AFP) – Uruguay claimed their first World Cup semi-final appearance in 40 years after a pulsating 4-2 penalty shootout win over heartbroken Ghana at Soccer City on Friday.

Uruguay goalkeeper Fernando Muslera saved skipper John Mensah and Dominic Adiyah's attempts after the

quarter-final had been locked at 1-1 after extra time.

Two-time World Cup winners Uruguay will now play the Netherlands in the semi-finals in Cape Town on Tuesday.

day.
"I am very emotional.
We didn't play well, but
we have gone through,"
said Uruguay coach
Oscar Tabarez.

"The players are very strong and have a strong team spirit. We have a little time to prepare for the match against Holland but we are going there to win."

Forlan, whose goal was his third of the World Cup, said his team had battled well.

"We suffered but now we will be amongst the four best sides in the world. As far as my goal was concerned, I hit it normally. I had to score and I didn't think about anything else."

Ghana were bidding to become the first African team to win through to the semi-finals of the World Cup after Cameroon (1990) and Senegal (2002) had fallen in the last eight.



Bald and beautiful Sneijder keeps head up



Wesley Sneijder of the Netherlands celebrates scoring his team's second goal

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa (AFP) – There was only one name on the lips of the thousands of Dutch supporters here yesterday and that was Wesley Sneijder after the Inter Milan star fired Holland into the World Cup semi-finals.

Sneijder's second half header in the Netherlands' 2-1 win over Brazil took the playmaker's tally in South Africa to three, after his goals against Slovakia in the last 16 and Japan in the closing group game.

The man of the match, reflecting on his crucial header, said: "This was my first header here, I don't think it will happen again, but it was great. The ball slipped on my bald head and went into the net, a great feeling."

The 26-year-old added: "If you can eliminate Brazil, one of the best teams in this championship the first feeling is relief, we always believed in it.

"Brazil have a strong defence but nonetheless we scored two goals. We did a great job - just so happy going on to the semis, it's a moment to savour - from tomorrow we will concentrate on the semi-final."